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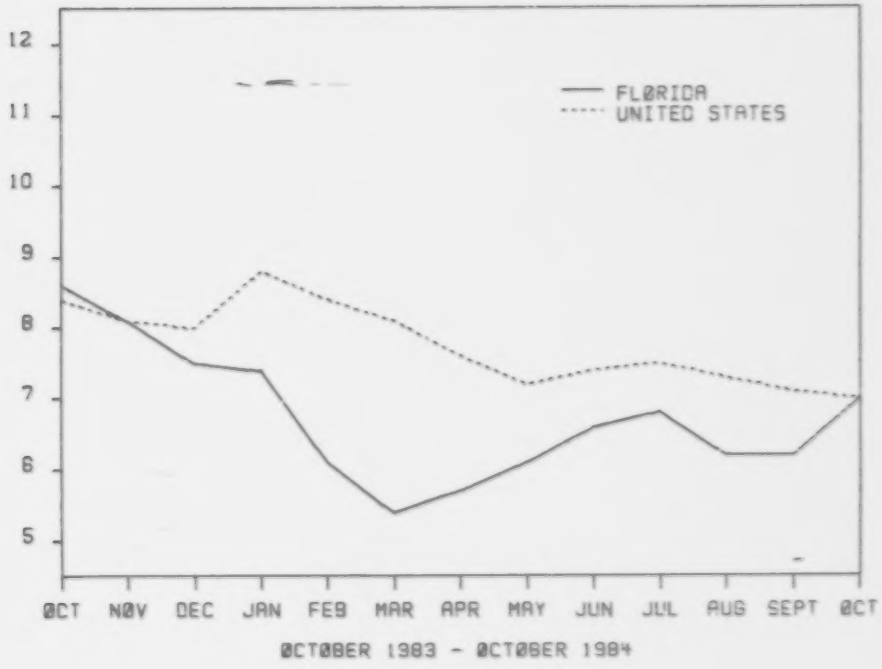

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LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

State of Florida	October 1984	September 1984	October 1983
Civilian Labor Force	5,139,400	5,184,200	4,990,000
Employment	4,779,000	4,865,100	4,558,800
Unemployment	360,500	319,100	431,200
Unemployment Rate	7.0	6.2	8.6

Note: Data are taken from the monthly results of the Current Population Survey (CPS) and are primarily for use in allocation of money under various federal programs. Data are not seasonally adjusted.

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NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT: Florida's nonagricultural employment is beginning to reflect the usual year end increases. Employment rose 33,900 (0.8 percent) over-the-month to a total of 4,178,800. This increase was reflected throughout all the major industry divisions. Since October 1983, employment has increased by 221,900 jobs (5.6 percent).

Manufacturing gained 3,500 jobs over-the-month with durable goods contributing 3,000 of this increase. Nondurable goods experienced a slight increase overall, with decreases in textiles, apparel and leather products industries being offset by increases in all other nondurable goods industries.

Wholesale and retail trade increased 14,100 (1.3 percent) over September. The largest increase is found in the retail sector with food and merchandise stores contributing to most of the increase.

Services was up 6,100 jobs over-the-month, bringing the total to 1,016,200, which is slightly below the peak reached in April 1984. Services and trade will continue to show larger seasonal increases over the next six months as these industries are most affected by tourism.

Construction continues to increase, up 2,400 jobs over-the-month, as it has every month since February 1983. Each month shows a new employment high in the construction industry.

Government was up 5,500 jobs over-the-month with all the increase found in local government.

All major industry divisions, except transportation, communication and public utilities (down 0.4 percent) show good rates of increases over-the-year. Construction was up 13.3 percent, finance, insurance and real estate up 7.7 percent, manufacturing up 6.2 percent and trade up 6.0 percent. All other major industries experienced less than 5.0 percent increases over-the-year.

If employment continues to grow at the same rate of increase, the March 1985, employment level should reach close to 4.25 million.

LABOR MARKET TRENDS
A Labor Market Information Publication by the Florida Department of Labor and Employment Security

ESTIMATED EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL ESTABLISHMENTS
(Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)

FLORIDA	Employment			Change to Current Month			
	October P 1984	September 1984	October 1983	Month Ago No.	Month Ago %	Year Ago No.	Year Ago %
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT/1	4,178,800	4,144,900	3,956,900	33,900	0.8	221,900	5.6
Manufacturing	506,300	502,800	476,600	3,500	0.7	29,700	6.2
Durable Goods	299,500	296,500	277,600	3,000	1.0	21,900	7.9
Lumber & Wood Products	26,300	25,800	24,900	500	1.9	1,400	5.6
Furniture & Fixtures	12,200	12,000	11,600	200	1.7	600	5.2
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	22,400	22,100	21,700	300	1.4	700	3.2
Primary Metal Industries	5,300	5,300	5,100	0	0.0	200	3.9
Fabricated Metal Products	34,000	33,600	33,100	400	1.2	900	2.7
Machinery, except Electrical	43,300	42,600	38,900	700	1.6	4,400	11.3
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	78,800	78,600	70,300	200	0.3	8,500	12.1
Transportation Equipment	55,000	54,800	51,300	200	0.4	3,700	7.2
Instruments & Related Products	13,400	13,200	12,400	200	1.5	1,000	8.1
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	8,800	8,500	8,300	300	3.5	500	6.0
Nondurable Goods	206,800	206,300	199,000	500	0.2	7,800	3.9
Food & Kindred Products	48,400	48,400	47,700	0	0.0	700	1.5
Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	12,200	11,800	11,800	400	3.4	400	3.4
Tobacco Manufacturers	2,100	2,100	2,100	0	0.0	0	0.0
Textile Mill Products	2,400	2,500	2,200	- 100	-0.4	200	9.1
Apparel & Other Textile Products	33,100	33,900	33,500	- 800	-2.4	- 400	- 1.2
Paper & Allied Products	15,800	15,300	15,700	500	3.3	100	0.6
Printing & Publishing	54,500	53,800	50,600	700	1.3	3,900	7.7
Chemicals & Allied Products	28,900	28,600	26,400	300	1.0	2,500	9.5
Petroleum & Coal Products	1,800	1,800	1,900	0	0.0	- 100	- 5.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	16,700	16,700	15,700	0	0.0	1,000	6.4
Leather & Leather Products	3,100	3,200	3,200	- 100	-3.1	- 100	- 3.1
Mining	10,100	10,000	10,000	100	1.0	100	1.0
Nonmetallic Minerals (exc. Fuels)	8,600	8,600	8,600	0	0.0	0	0.0
Phosphate Rock	5,400	5,400	5,300	0	0.0	100	1.9
Construction	317,000	314,600	279,800	2,400	0.8	37,200	13.3
General Building Contractors	82,700	81,900	73,700	800	1.0	9,000	12.2
Heavy Construction Contractors	53,600	53,600	45,000	0	0.0	8,600	19.1
Special Trade Contractors	180,700	179,100	161,100	1,600	0.9	19,600	12.2
Transportation & Public Utilities, exc. U.S. Postal Service	231,000	230,900	232,000	100	0.0	- 1,000	- 0.4
Transportation	130,500	130,000	125,500	500	0.4	5,000	4.0
Railroad Transportation	9,100	9,100	9,000	0	0.0	100	1.1
Local & Interurban Passenger Transit	7,400	7,100	7,400	300	4.2	0	0.0
Trucking & Warehousing	42,700	42,800	40,900	- 100	-0.2	1,800	4.4
Water Transportation	13,600	13,500	13,600	100	0.7	0	0.0
Transportation by Air	44,300	44,800	41,800	- 500	-1.1	2,500	6.0
Communication, exc. U.S. Postal Service	68,100	68,400	74,500	- 300	-0.4	- 6,400	- 8.6
Electrical, Gas, & Sanitary Serv.	32,400	32,500	32,000	- 100	-0.3	400	1.3

FLORIDA	Employment			Change to Current Month			
	October P 1984	September 1984	October 1983	Month Ago No.	Month Ago %	Year Ago No.	Year Ago %
Wholesale & Retail Trade	1,125,600	1,111,500	1,062,300	14,100	1.3	63,300	6.0
Wholesale Trade	235,300	232,100	225,200	3,200	1.4	10,100	4.5
Wholesale Trade Durable Goods	144,300	143,400	137,300	900	0.6	7,000	5.1
Wholesale Trade Nondurable Goods	91,000	88,700	87,900	2,300	2.6	3,100	3.5
Retail Trade	890,300	879,400	837,100	10,900	1.2	53,200	6.4
Building Materials & Garden Supplies & Mobile Home Dealers	36,500	37,100	36,500	- 600	-1.6	0	0.0
General Merchandise Stores	111,900	109,200	107,000	2,700	2.5	4,900	4.6
Food Stores	156,400	151,600	145,400	4,800	3.2	11,000	7.6
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	98,600	98,200	92,300	400	0.4	6,300	6.8
Apparel & Accessory Stores	45,500	45,500	45,200	0	0.0	300	0.7
Furniture & Home Furnishings	40,900	39,800	38,500	1,100	2.8	2,400	6.2
Eating & Drinking Places	304,400	303,100	279,100	1,300	0.4	26,300	9.1
Miscellaneous Retail	96,100	94,900	93,100	1,200	1.3	3,000	3.2
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	314,300	312,200	291,800	2,100	0.7	22,500	7.7
Banking	68,900	68,400	64,200	500	0.7	4,700	7.3
Credit Agencies Other than Banks	53,500	53,400	48,600	100	0.2	4,900	10.1
Insurance Carriers	49,100	48,800	45,700	300	0.6	3,400	7.4
Insurance Agents, Brokers, & Service	29,600	29,000	25,500	600	2.1	4,100	16.1
Real Estate	92,900	92,100	88,800	800	0.9	4,100	4.6
Services /2	1,016,200	1,010,100	969,900	6,100	0.6	46,300	4.8
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	94,700	94,600	92,100	100	0.1	2,600	2.8
Personal Services	49,400	49,300	49,100	100	0.2	300	0.6
Business Services	193,300	191,400	179,600	1,900	1.0	13,700	7.6
Auto Repair, Services, & Garages	40,600	40,100	36,800	500	1.2	3,800	10.3
Miscellaneous Repair Services	17,700	17,800	18,200	- 100	-0.6	- 500	- 2.7
Motion Pictures	6,700	6,600	7,000	100	1.5	- 300	- 4.3
Amusement & Recreation Services	64,100	64,000	65,200	100	0.2	- 1,100	- 1.7
Health Services	272,100	270,700	265,800	1,400	0.5	6,300	2.4
Legal Services	39,500	39,100	35,500	400	1.0	4,000	11.3
Educational Services	44,800	43,900	42,100	900	2.1	2,700	6.4
Miscellaneous Services	57,000	57,200	51,300	- 200	-0.3	5,700	11.1
Total Government	658,300	652,800	634,500	5,500	0.8	23,800	3.8
Total Federal Government	96,900	97,400	93,300	- 500	-0.5	3,600	3.9
Total State Government	134,700	134,700	132,100	0	0.0	2,600	2.0
Total Local Government	426,700	420,700	409,100	6,000	1.4	17,600	4.3

p = preliminary.

1/ All industries are classified according to the Standard Industrial Classification Manual, 1972. Estimates include all full-time and part-time wage and salaried workers who were employed during the pay period including the 12th of the month, with the exception of federal employment for the Department of Defense, which is on an end-of-the-month basis. Proprietors, self-employed persons, domestic workers and military personnel of the armed forces are excluded. All data are adjusted to the first quarter 1983 benchmark levels.

2/ Includes a miscellaneous group of agricultural service establishments and establishments not elsewhere classified.

Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing Industries

FLORIDA	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Oct. 1984	Sept. 1984*	Oct. 1983	Oct. 1984	Sept. 1984*	Oct. 1983	Oct. 1984	Sept. 1984*	Oct. 1983
MANUFACTURING	$318.20	$317.83	$307.76	40.9	40.8	41.2	$ 7.78	$ 7.79	$ 7.47
Durable Goods	329.43	328.97	319.98	41.7	41.8	42.2	7.90	7.87	7.58
Lumber & Wood Products	275.47	277.38	247.82	41.3	41.9	40.1	6.67	6.62	6.18
Furniture & Fixtures	244.22	248.06	224.40	40.3	40.8	39.3	6.06	6.08	5.71
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	366.30	368.92	344.64	45.0	45.1	44.7	8.14	8.18	7.71
Primary Metal Industries	373.98	385.71	333.33	41.6	42.2	42.9	8.99	9.14	7.77
Fabricated Metal Prod.	313.94	321.02	307.91	41.2	41.8	41.0	7.62	7.68	7.51
Machinery, except Electrical	346.04	346.50	331.27	42.2	42.0	42.2	8.20	8.25	7.85
Electric & Electronic Equipment	347.75	336.91	347.77	42.1	41.8	44.7	8.26	8.06	7.78
Transportation Equip.	376.41	377.90	387.40	41.5	41.3	42.2	9.07	9.15	9.18
Instruments & Related Products	304.84	304.98	305.60	39.9	39.2	40.0	7.64	7.78	7.64
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	225.13	231.20	219.25	37.9	40.0	38.6	5.94	5.78	5.68
Nondurable Goods	304.07	302.97	293.60	39.8	39.5	40.0	7.64	7.67	7.34
Food & Kindred Prods.	274.86	278.80	278.56	40.6	41.0	41.7	6.77	6.80	6.68
Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	284.46	297.99	286.86	43.1	43.0	44.2	6.60	6.93	6.49
Tobacco Manufactures	260.44	252.34	271.13	38.3	37.0	38.9	6.80	6.82	6.97
Apparel & Other Textiles	180.54	177.82	164.00	35.4	34.0	34.6	5.10	5.23	4.74
Paper & Allied Prods.	504.63	508.47	475.34	44.5	44.1	44.3	11.34	11.53	10.73
Printing & Publishing	332.98	325.08	338.40	38.9	37.8	40.0	8.56	8.60	8.46
Chemicals & Allied Products	424.92	435.63	424.27	41.7	42.5	42.3	10.19	10.25	10.03
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	246.64	246.10	219.75	40.7	41.5	40.1	6.06	5.93	5.48
NONMETALLIC MINERALS, EXCEPT FUELS	393.96	398.53	372.08	46.9	47.5	45.1	8.40	8.39	8.25
Phosphate Rock	431.14	432.19	402.27	43.2	43.7	41.6	9.98	9.89	9.67
COMMUNICATION	478.78	486.74	447.54	40.2	40.8	39.5	11.91	11.93	11.33
ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES	465.55	466.15	447.44	42.4	42.3	41.7	10.98	11.02	10.73
BANKING	227.60	239.84	218.55	40.0	42.3	40.1	5.69	5.67	5.45

*Revised

These average earnings are computed on a "gross" basis and reflect changes in premium pay for overtime and late shift work as well as changes in basic hourly and incentive rates. Estimates are for all full-time production and related workers who are employed during the pay period including the 12th of the month.

Seasonally Adjusted
Nonagricultural Employment
Florida
(In Thousands)

Industry	October 1984 p	September 1984	October 1983
TOTAL	4,201.1	4,193.0	3,977.9
Mining	10.1	10.0	10.0
Construction	315.0	311.5	277.8
Manufacturing	507.7	506.1	477.9
Durable Goods	299.5	296.5	277.6
Nondurable Goods	209.6	209.9	201.7
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities	231.0	230.9	232.0
Trade	1,137.8	1,130.8	1,073.8
Wholesale	235.3	232.1	225.2
Retail	902.0	897.8	848.1
Eating and Drinking Places	315.1	312.9	288.9
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	314.3	312.2	291.8
Services	1,032.2	1,025.9	985.2
Hotels and Other Lodging Places	102.4	102.2	99.6
Health Services	272.1	270.7	265.8
Government	653.0	665.6	629.4

p = preliminary.

Unemployment Compensation Activity
Florida

	October 1984	September 1984	October 1983
Initial Claims/1	34,690	27,769	33,356
Weeks Claimed/2	267,380	252,037	272,714
Total U.C. Payments	$22,004,155	$21,245,537	$20,457,887

1/ Regular State UI
2/ Total Intrastate + Internet

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